

**Lake Linden-Hubbell Public Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
April 12, 2021**

A Regular Meeting of the Lake Linden-Hubbell Schools Board of Education was held in the High School Auditorium on Monday, April 12, 2021. The meeting was called to order by President Patricia Burton at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Jeff Dennis, Jennifer Beaudette, Courtney Holzberger, Patricia Burton, Lori Ambuehl, Rob Johnson

Absent: Stacey Sedar

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Rob Johnson to excuse Stacey Sedar from the meeting. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

There were two changes to the agenda. Item number 8-A was a motion to recognize Heather French and the language of item number 12 was revised. There being no other changes to the agenda, a motion was made by Courtney Holzberger and supported by Lori Ambuehl to accept the agenda. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Rob Johnson to accept the April bills (totaling \$90,630.84), the Treasurer's Report, the minutes of the Special Meeting held on March 17, 2021 and the minutes of the Board of Education Maintenance and Transportation Committee meeting held on March 16, 2021. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

There were no expressions from the public.

Mr. Brad Codere gave a Superintendent/K-12 Principal Report. Spirit Week, held last month, had most of the usual activities with the exception of announcing the Spirit Week Court at the game. Practices for spring athletics have begun along with the COVID testing that is now required. Students in grades 8-11 will be taking the SAT/PSAT test tomorrow. Testing for Juniors will continue through Thursday. The request from the State of Michigan to waive the M-STEP standardized testing has been rejected by the Federal Government. Therefore, this testing will be administered to our students in the spring as we have done in previous years. Ms. Heather French has been selected as "Regional Teacher of the Year" by the State of Michigan. She is among nine candidates who will now be considered for "State Teacher of the Year." The Valedictorian of the Class of 2021 is Caleb Klein. The Salutatorian is Will Lyons.

Mr. Jack Johnson gave the Elementary Coordinator's Report. Report cards were mailed out last week. Between the Fourth and Fifth grades combined, 70 percent of students were named to the Honor Roll. The enrollment numbers for Kindergarten and Young 5's look promising for next year. Kindergarten currently has 19 students and Young 5's has five. Elementary basketball started on April 7 for students in grades 5-6. Their first game was held here on April 9. March is Reading Month concluded with a Spring Fun Day and Popcorn Celebration. The top readers in each grade received a prize and all students were given a free book thanks to donations from the PTO and the Lions Club. In lieu of going to Camp Nesbit this year, students in grades 6-7 will take part in three full-day trips. One day will be a picnic with other activities at Calumet Waterworks. Another day will be a half day at Quincy Mine Hoist and half day at a Raptor Presentation. The third day will be at Michigan Tech tackling the high/low ropes course. A date is being set for Kindergarten graduation. We are hoping to have a formal ceremony in the Auditorium this year. Currently we have 16 elementary students enrolled in our virtual learning program, Lincoln Learning.

Mr. Jack Kumpula gave an Athletic Director's Report.

Mr. Brad Fortin gave a Maintenance Report.

Mr. Chris Koskiniemi gave a Transportation Report.

Jeff Dennis gave a report on the Board of Education Maintenance and Transportation Committee meeting that was held on March 16, 2021.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Lori Ambuehl to recognize student athletes for honors earned during the 2020-2021 basketball season. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to recognize Heather French for being selected by the State of Michigan as "Regional Teacher of the Year." Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Rob Johnson to approve the reconfirmation of the Lake Linden-Hubbell Public Schools Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Rob Johnson to schedule a 2020-2021 Scholarship Committee meeting for May 6, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. for the purpose of awarding District Scholarships. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Lori Ambuehl to award up to \$2,000 in Margaret Jones Scholarships for the school year 2020-2021. The number and amount of the awards shall be at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Rob Johnson to award up to \$2,500 in Irving Clouthier Scholarships for the school year 2020-2021. The number and amount of the awards shall be at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Jeff Dennis to consider the designation of Jennifer Beaudette as the electoral representative for the Lake Linden-Hubbell Board of Education for the June 7, 2021 Biennial Election of the Copper Country Intermediate School. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Rob Johnson and supported by Lori Ambuehl to approve Mr. Craig Sundblad as the 2021 Commencement Speaker. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Dennis and supported by Rob Johnson to accept the letter of resignation as presented by Ken Codere from his Maintenance/Bus Driver position. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Jennifer Beaudette and supported by Lori Ambuehl to approve the employment of Ellen Jarvis in the position of Junior High Track Coach for the 2020-2021 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Rob Johnson and supported by Lori Ambuehl to approve the employment of Brett Poissant in the position of Varsity Golf Coach for the 2020-2021 school year. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Other:

No committee meetings need to be scheduled at this time. A Finance Committee meeting will be scheduled later in May.

The State Aid Note bid opening was held on March 24 and two bids were received. Miners State Bank was awarded the bid with an interest rate of 0.27 percent.

The Spring Band Concert is tentatively being planned for May 6.

Open House will take place virtually this year. Student work will be on display via pictures and video that will be compiled and posted on the website.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Lori Ambuehl and supported by Jennifer Beaudette to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Roll call vote. Motion unanimously carried.